

Claim 9. (Amended) A recombinant antibody against human TNF $\alpha$  which can be obtained by a gene recombination technique using the gene(s) as claimed in claim 5, or its fragment.

Please add new claims 11, 12 and 13 as follows:

Claim 11. (Amended) An expression vector having the gene(s) as claimed in claim 6 incorporated thereinto.

Claim 12. (Amended) A recombinant antibody against human TNF $\alpha$  which can be obtained by a gene recombination technique using the gene(s) as claimed in claim 6, or its fragment.

Claim 13. (Amended) A recombinant antibody against human TNF $\alpha$  which can be obtained by a gene recombination technique using the gene(s) as claimed in the method as claimed in claim 8, or its fragment.

#### REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment revises multiple dependent claims 7 and 9 so that they do not improperly depend upon multiple dependent claims.

New claim 11 is based upon claim 7. New claims 12 and 13 are based upon claim 9.

No new matter has been added.